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C O N F I D E N T I A L GUATEMALA 1407

NASSAU FOR DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SHELTON

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINT, GT
SUBJECT: ELECTION SITREP #4

REF: GUATEMALA 1391

1. ELECTORAL REGISTRY ANNOUNCED FOLLOWING TALLY AS OF NOON
MARCH 7:

LUCAS (PR/PID) 230,532 (36.8 PERCENT)
PERALTA AZURDIA (MLN) 230,020 (36.7 PERCENT)
PERALTA MENDEZ (DCG) 166,500 (26.6 PERCENT)

WITH RETURNS FROM ONLY 28 MUNICIPIOS (OF 326) LEFT UNTALLIED
THESE FIGURES APPROACH TOTAL RETURNS FROM OUTSIDE CAPITAL.
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AS ANTICIPATED, THEY STILL DO NOT INCLUDE ANY RETALLYING FROM
GUATEMALA CITY.

2. RISE IN LUCAS TOTALS PROMPTED FURTHER MLN ALLEGATION OF
FRAUD. FISTFIGHT WHICH ERUPTED AT MUNICIPAL ELECTION
BOARD BETWEEN AN MLN CONGRESSMAN AND SECRETARY GENERAL
OF PR IS SYMPTOMATIC OF INCREASING LEVEL OF TENSION AS

TALLYING ENTERS FINAL STAGES.

3. EARLIER IN MORNING PERALTA AZURDIA MET WITH PRESIDENT LAUGERUD FOR HALF HOUR AND REPORTEDLY RECEIVED ASSURANCE THAT ELECTION RESULTS WOULD BE RESPECTED. WE UNDERSTAND, HOWEVER, FROM SOURCE SYMPATHETIC TO PERALTA MENDEZ THAT BOTH PERALTAS ARE MEETING AFTERNOON MARCH 7 WITH MLN CAUDILO, VP MARIO SANDOVAL, TO DISCUSS NEXT STEPS. WHILE MUCH OF THIS MAY BE BLUFF, PUBLIC AND PRIVATE COMMENTS OF PERALTA AZURDIA AND (TO SOME DEGREE) PERALTA MENDEZ PARTISANS ARE GROWING MORE STRIDENT, AND TALK OF "TAKING TO THE STREETS" IF PERALTA AZURDIA IS DENIED "VICTORY" IS AGAIN ON THE RISE.

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